



## **The Florida House of Representatives**

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### **House State Affairs Committee Examines Pension Reform**

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – The House State Affairs Committee, chaired by Representative Seth McKeel (R-Lakeland), today gathered background information on public employee retirement plans in Florida. The committee meeting was held on Thursday, January 27, 2011, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

“The goal of the Florida House is to ensure that those who are vested in the current state retirement system receive the benefits that they’ve earned and that future benefits are awarded fairly without compromising the long-term solvency of the program and ensuring that it is executed in a fiscally responsible manner,” said Representative McKeel.

“The House is currently in the initial stages of gathering information and background on public employee retirement systems,” continued Representative McKeel. “There may be many bills filed on this issue during the upcoming 2011 Legislative Session, but at this point neither the State Affairs committee nor the Government Operations Subcommittee has a set proposal for revising either the Florida Retirement System or those local retirement plans that are independent of the state’s retirement system. We look forward to a continued dialogue on this important issue.”

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